

January, 1953

# Bible Vísión



# Second Term Opened January 22

January 22 and 23 were registration days for the second semester, and classes got under way on Monday, the 26th.

Prospects for the total enrollment of the new term were about normal. The unknown quantity, as always, was the number of students who would withdraw at the end of the first semester.

## THREE NIGHT COURSES

Continuing the practice of making regular courses available to interested people who cannot attend day classes, the College is offering three two-hour courses in Tuesday night sessions. The Gospel of Mark is being taught by Prof. W. Morrow Cook. An exposition of the prophecy of Daniel is given by Prof. W. O. Klopfenstein. The third course, taught by Prof. Richard Gerig, is Radio Broadcasting, which counts toward a minor either in music or in practical theology.

## SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS WEEK

Mr. John Whittle, Deputation Secretary of the World-wide Evangelization Crusade, was engaged to speak in the Spiritual Emphasis services, Jan. 26-30. Mr. Whittle has visited the College on several previous occasions, and has been well received for his excellent tenor voice as well as his deeply spiritual messages. He has toured the world in the interest of missions and of his organization, which was founded by C. T. Studd, and is now headed by Rev. Norman Grubb.

## C. W. SLEMMING RETURNS

Rev. Charles W. Slemming, of England, is scheduled for a week of special chapel services February 16 to 20.

In their previous visits to the College, Rev. and Mrs. Slemming have endeared themselves to the entire

## Recreation Room Is Nearing Completion

Vacation days saw marked progress in the redecoration of the student lounge in Founders Memorial basement. Green-tinted plaster was applied to the hitherto unfinished walls, and matching paint was added to the already plastered wall of the room.

Recessed ceiling lights, the gift of the class of 1952, were installed, along with a system of ceiling speakers, and then the Men's Fellowship of the First Missionary Church nailed up the acoustic ceiling they had bought for the room.

Asphalt tile was put on the floor during the summer vacation. Now the remaining need is for furniture. When it is completed, the students will have a pleasant, comfortable and well-equipped place for those much needed moments of recreation and relaxation.

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school family. His messages on the Old Testament are always rich in spiritual truth, and a source of inspiration. Mrs. Slemming, too, is an able speaker.

They have been in the United States several years, ministering in many churches. Shortly after their visit to Fort Wayne they expect to return to England for six months, and then come back to the States.

# Produce New Radio Program

The second program series that is being produced by the Fort Wayne Bible College Broadcasting Service went on the air Saturday, Jan. 17, at 5:45 P.M., over WGL in Fort Wayne. A quarter-hour program, it features the Crusaders Men's Quartet—Leon Gerig, Tom Zehr, Edward Widmark and Joe Grabill. Barbara Cate is accompanist, and Ed Jones does the announcing.

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## Mission Band Service

### Is Moved to Thursday

Tradition went tumbling when the Faculty and the executive committee of the Students' Mission Band approved a change of time for the weekly missionary service from Friday to Thursday night. The new schedule, which is on a trial basis for the second semester, is expected to facilitate the granting of week-end leaves and Friday night engagements by gospel teams.

Success of the change will be subject to review during or at the close of the semester, and will be judged by its effect on attendance and offerings in the services, the preparation exhibited in Friday morning classes, and the general adaptability of the new plan to the total program of the school.

Mission Band—a feature of the school week that every student remembers with deep appreciation—is designed to bring to the student body an informative and inspirational report from some mission field of the world. No change in the purpose or content of the meeting is contemplated.

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teaching certificates when a student transfers to an accredited institution to complete his work. This arrangement economizes the time of preparation for those students who desire the benefit of some Bible school edu-

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Men's voices are consistently popular with radio audiences, says Dick Gerig, who is producing the program, and the harmony of this Bible College four is expected to win wide favor. The program is transcribed, and will be available to a limited number of other stations as a sustaining or public service feature.

### SUNRISE CHAPEL VISITS SANITORIUM

Thursday evening, Jan. 22, the staff of Sunrise Chapel visited Irene Byron Sanitorium, north of Fort Wayne, and presented a gospel program. The patients saw how the group produces its radio broadcasts, and witnessed the transcribing of an actual program for later release on the air.

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## Preparation For Teaching Certificates

A few months ago the College applied to the Indiana State Department of Education to have up to two years of its lower division work validated for public school teaching certificates, and favorable action was taken by the Board on December 18. The College does not propose to offer the full program leading to teacher certificates in Indiana. However, the Department of Public Instruction now approves those courses that do apply toward the requirements of

# **"Messiah" Presentation Draws Large Attendance**

One of the largest audiences ever to hear George Frederick Handel's oratorio, "The Messiah," given on the campus of Fort Wayne Bible College responded with warm appreciation, when the concert was given in Founders Memorial auditorium on Sunday afternoon, December 14. Many considered the performance one of the finest yet given by the college. The 162-voice chorus and twenty-two piece orchestra were conducted by Prof. Oliver Steiner, director of the School of Music. Between 1,000 and 1,200 people were in attendance.

An even larger audience heard the performance again during Christmas week, when two of Fort Wayne's radio stations broadcast transcribed portions of the concert. WKJG scheduled a large part of the program from 10:30 P.M. to 12:00 midnight on Monday, December 22. On the following evening WGL broadcast portions of it from 11:00 P.M. until midnight. The concert was transcribed at the time it was given, and tape recordings were prepared for the two radio stations by Richard Gerig, director of radio for the college.

Soloists for the occasion were Vivian Buettner of Detroit, soprano; Dorothy Lugibihl Lehman of Royal Oak, Michigan, contralto; Gerald Greenlee of Chicago, tenor; and Franklin Lusk of Fort Wayne, baritone. All have had extensive experience in oratorio performances, in college and community life. Mr. Lusk is pastor of the United Missionary Church in Fort Wayne.

Members of the chorus represented present and former students, alumni, and friends of the college. Students who played in the orchestra are Kendall Schoeff, clarinet; Joan Benham, flute; Charles Trusdell, trombone; and Barbara Cate, organ.

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## **Two Groups In Holiday Tours**

Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Witmer and the Echo-ettes Girls' Trio reported an enjoyable trip to Tennessee, as they returned on Monday evening, Jan. 5, with a cheery "Hi, y-all!"

They ministered in Rev. H. W. Franklin's church in Memphis, held a one-night service in the Calvary Baptist Church in Rigidely, and spent the remainder of the week with Rev. J. C. Neuenschwander in the First Missionary Church in Humboldt. They also gave a devotional program on station WIRJ five mornings, and conducted an assembly period in the Humboldt high school.

There was a good response to their ministry, and a number of people found salvation and other spiritual help at an altar of prayer.

Personnel of the trio includes Donna Neuenschwander, Charlotte Tucker and Janet Ford. Joann Weddle is their accompanist.

### **FIVE MEN GO WEST**

Prof. W. Morrow Cook and the King's Male Quartet—Jim Leever, Lonnie Randall, Joe Pitzer and Don Erickson—made a 2700-mile swing through Nebraska and Kansas during the last week of vacation. They ministered in nine churches, and reported a fine interest in each of them.

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# Title Acquired to South Campus

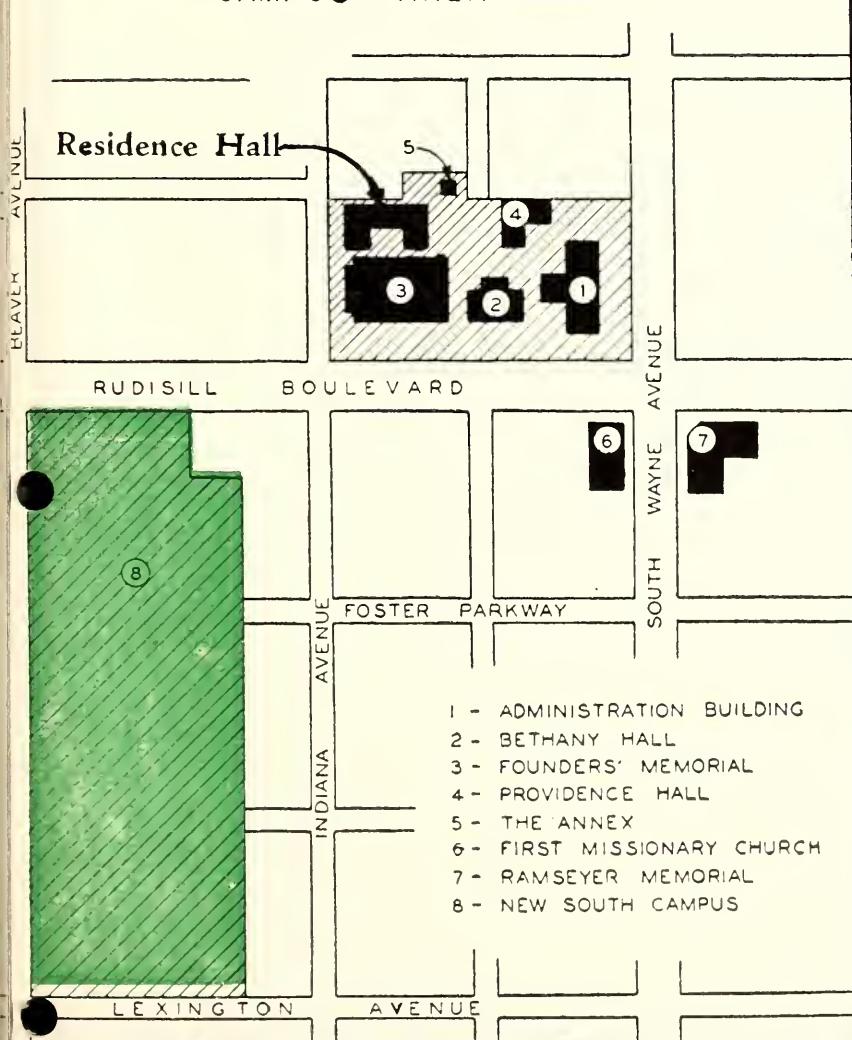
January 26, 1953, was a red-letter day in the history of Fort Wayne Bible College. On that day the College acquired title to the new south campus—a fourteen-acre tract of preferred land a little west of the old campus and on the south side of Ridisill Boulevard. Not only was title acquired, but it was paid in full, free of all debt!

The story of the acquisition of this valuable property surrounded by Fort Wayne's finest residential district is an unfolding of God's providence. Until the old campus was built up, it would have been unthinkable to "sell" the constituency of the College on the idea of acquiring more land. At one time serious consideration was even given to selling a part of the north campus to pay off the mortgage on the first building! But when once the campus was

built up, the need for more space for future development became apparent.

## Ft. Wayne Bible College

### CAMPUS AREA



- 1 - ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
- 2 - BETHANY HALL
- 3 - FOUNDERS' MEMORIAL
- 4 - PROVIDENCE HALL
- 5 - THE ANNEX
- 6 - FIRST MISSIONARY CHURCH
- 7 - RAMSEYER MEMORIAL
- 8 - NEW SOUTH CAMPUS

In the meanwhile one of the older families of Fort Wayne had been holding this property from residential development—the remnant of a large farm. The property had been in the hands of the Wiebke family since 1847. Before World War I, several casual visits had resulted in the owners, William and Emma Wiebke, promising that if the time should come that they wished to dispose of the property, they would give the Bible College the first option. There was no formal agreement,—hardly necessary when dealing with people whose word is as good as their signatures. The matter was not even brought to the attention of the Trustees at that time.

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# The Testimony of Christ to Israel

In the fine little booklet "Israel in the Holy Land Today and the Coming of Christ" by Dr. James Yuk, the author points out the need of witnessing to Israel even though his persistence in ignoring the claims of Christ continues.<sup>1</sup>

"At the present time," states Dr. Yuk, "Israel is silent about Christ. He has tried to live in the past, and he is now living in the present time, as if Christ had never existed at all, and he is acting as if Christ had nothing to do with him. Israel shrugs his shoulders: what has he to do with the Christ of the Gentiles! 'One is not.' It is interesting that the very name 'Jesus' (in Hebrew, *Jeshua*) has been changed into the non-existent name 'Jeshua,' made up of the initials of the Hebrew words meaning: 'Let his name and *memory* be blotted out.' Again the tacit agreement not to speak about Him, and not even to mention His name. And this is characteristic: even His *memory* is to be blotted out. But it is precisely this memory which God will bring to life once more."

The question then arises: Why continue to present a testimony of Christ to Israel? In spite of the unfavorable testimony that Israel has had from unworthy professing Christians and a corrupt church during the centuries, he nevertheless has had a worthy testimony of Christ so that he knows much of the rejected Messiah. There are two compelling reasons, however, for a continued testimony to Israel.

"First, Israel must know about Him, in order to *have the opportunity of free choice*: to accept or reject Him, without pleading in self-justifi-

cation that they did not know of Him. For his choice Israel is answerable before God. Once he made the choice between Barabbas and Christ, and he endured the consequences of this choice. In the future there awaits him still another choice, between Anti-Christ and Christ.

"Second, the testimony is given to Israel, so that they may *recognize* Christ at His Second Coming. When you are going to the station to meet friends whom you have never seen, and you want them to *recognize* you, you have to send them an exact description of your outward appearance, or photograph. The day will come when Israel will go out to meet Christ. They will be obliged to recognize Him. For this reason, the testimony must be exact and clear. That they may know and may recognize,—here is the twofold purpose of the testimony to Israel."

## Title Acquired to South Campus

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However, after World War II, it became evident through further casual visits that the owners were considering selling the property. A report was made to the Trustees, who advised keeping in touch with the Wiebkes. Soon came the summer of 1946, when the Wiebkes had offers from a number of eager parties. Keeping their word, they offered the College the first option on a fourteen-acre tract. Tentative terms were agreed upon. The price of \$60,000 was to be paid over a period of six years with a down payment of \$5,000

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1. Published by The American-European Fellowship, New York.

# From the President



## The Bible and The Life of The Church

The record of the Christian church shows that it has always been difficult to maintain a proper balance of emphasis between revelation and experience. The tendency has always been toward emphasizing *either* one or the other.

Sometimes the objective basis of faith, the Word of God, is stressed at the expense of Christian life and experience. Little place is given to the experience of grace in terms of the "witness of the Spirit" and His ministry of transforming the believer into the likeness of Christ. Exclusive emphasis on the objective aspect of faith ends in dead formalism. The religionist has the form, but he is void of essential life. This disbalance even reaches the point where ethical Christian living is disparaged. A professor glories in his sins, thinking thereby to exalt grace. A man once boasted to me that he was saved by faith, "not by works, lest any man should boast." He said, "I can swear, and I do. I can get drunk and I do. Those sins neither save me nor damn me. I am saved by faith." This deceived man had the kind of faith which James identifies with the belief of devils. James' evaluation stands: "Faith without works is dead."

On the other hand, all kinds of religious vagaries have arisen when

experience was not adequately interpreted, nourished, and controlled by the Word of God. They have developed in all directions and in all degrees of excess. There have been wild-fire movements which soon spent themselves, ascetic withdrawals from the world of need, subjective forms of mysticism which ended in sensualism. Most of the American cults represent a departure first from scriptural Christian experience. Pseudo revelations and doctrinal aberrations usually followed.

These evils point to the results of an *either-or* position. The problem in most of our evangelical circles is not an *either-or* position, but rather one of proportion. To the extent that one is emphasized in disproportion to the other, the life of the church is weakened. The church, like the bodily organism, needs an adequate diet which provides all of the essential vitamins.

Allowance must be made, of course, for special emphases to confront particular situations. There was a time when the doctrines of the Christian faith were generally accepted, but little place was given to experience. The historic situation called for pietism which stressed holiness of heart and practical Christian living. Today, however, we are liv-

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The 1952 Fort Wayne Bible College Messiah Chorus and Orchestra on the college campus on December 14, with Prince



The oratorio was performed in Founders Memorial auditorium  
Oliver Steiner conducting.. See complete story on page 4.

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ing in an age of religious illiteracy. Ministry among the boys in service during World War II confirmed the conviction that youth today are religiously illiterate. Very few among the sixty-four per cent who carried Protestant "dog tags" could give an intelligent explanation of the simplest elements of the Protestant faith. It follows that in many areas of evangelistic effort a substantial foundation of Biblical truth must be laid before the response of saving faith can be accepted. Even among Christians, this day of fuzzy thinking calls for sharpening of Biblical concepts—in the words of the apostle Peter, the girding up of the loins of the mind.

But there is also a place for due emphasis on experience, for this is the day in which many are content to have a "form of godliness" while denying the power thereof.

Let us note the place that the Word of God has in the life of the church.

*First, the Word of God is used by the Spirit of God to generate life.* We are "born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever" (I Pet. 1:23). God had designed and suited saving grace for rational creatures. The gospel makes its entrance into the heart, the seat of sin, through the mind, and to the mind by way of the senses. "How then shall they call on him of whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard?" (Rom. 10:14). A missionary who goes to a pagan tribe which has had no contact with the gospel does not begin merely by praying that the Holy Spirit will convict of sin. He begins with the la-

borious task of reducing the language to writing, translating the Scriptures, then teaching the natives to read the Word of God in their own tongue. In any event, "the entrance of thy words giveth light."

*Second, the Word of God is used by the Spirit of God to build the spiritual life of the church.* Not only is the Word of God the "sincere milk" to nourish the new-born Christian, but it is the "strong meat . . . to them that are of full age." The apostle Peter shows that all things needed by the Christian for life and godliness are communicated through knowledge of the Truth. "Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, according as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises" (2 Peter 1:2-4).

There has never been a virile, robust life in the church apart from a close attachment to the Word of God.

In modern times there has been no finer example of a church with apostolic dynamic than the church in Korea. The story has again been told of the gracious revival which flamed up in southern Korea before current hostilities broke out. It had all of the characteristics of the earlier revival of 1907. I heard a missionary who witnessed that earlier revival and the life of the church in the years which followed say: "The Bible has done wonderful things for Korea. Large Bible classes last ten days, with 1,500 to 2,000 attending. The heart and the life of the Korean church is built on the Bible."

Why is it that in many full-gospel assemblies there are fewer Bible-carrying Christians than in numbers of convocations where the level of

profession is lower? A leader of the holiness movement made this comment after having observed the movement both in America and England: "There seems to be more stability and spiritual strength among the holiness people in England. I think it is because they live very close to their Bibles. Ninety per cent of them bring their Bibles to services."

In stressing the place of the Bible in the life of the church, a word should be said about the value of the whole Bible. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness" was part of the counsel given to a New Testament pastor, but it referred originally to the Old Testament. The whole Bible is to be used for the edification of the church. Here we must be on guard against selecting only the tasty morsels for our diet, for it is as unhealthful as feeding the physical organism only on sweets. It might be well to rename the much-used "bread boxes," containing choice promises, "cake boxes." The warnings of the Word of God, for example, are missing. If it is bread, it is very much refined. What we need for the inner man is whole-wheat bread with all the essential vitamins which God has provided for our well-being.

*Third, the Word of God is used by the Spirit of God to maintain the doctrinal integrity of the church.* Unless experience is constantly submitted to the criterion of God's Word, it will itself become the supreme arbiter of right and wrong, truth and error. "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them."

The Word of God is the one antidote for error. Christ met the temptations of Satan by appeal to the

Word of God. Only as youth are fortified by the Word of God will they be able to stand in this day of skepticism and unbelief. Both experience and Bible indoctrination are needed; far too many youth with glowing experiences of grace have been seduced by modern forms of the philosophy of naturalism because they had not been firmly "rooted and grounded" in the Word of God.

The double exhortation of the apostle Paul is timely in that it makes room for both the subjective and objective aspects of the Christian life: "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine."

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### **Presentation of "Messiah"**

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Rene Frank, instructor in music, was at the piano. Several members of the orchestra are present or former members of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Orchestra. They are Virginia Shambaugh and Olga Mittelstadt, violin; Robert Shambaugh and Gordon Collins, viola; and Warren Brighty, cello. Other instrumental performers were Loren Yaggy, Marilyn Stellhorn, Charles Crain, Loren Randall, Marilyn Buchanan, Melvin Fry Albert Browning, Marjorie Lewis, Leon Yaggy, Sue Richardson, Don Armstrong, and Otto Eichel.

Dr. S. A. Witmer president of the college, opened the concert with the invocation, and Rev. Jared F. Gerig offered the benediction. "The Messiah" is presented annually at the college during the first part of December.

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### **Two Groups In Holiday Tours**

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In Nebraska, their two stops were at Wauneta and Culbertson. In Kansas they visited Missionary Churches in Concord, Bucklin, Dodge City, Sterling, Hutchinson, Wichita, and Elbing.

# Fellowship Circle

## At the Battle Front

Dr. Charles A. Roberts, '14, for many years a missionary in China, is still carrying on his ministry in Hong Kong, conducting Bible studies, assisting in Emanuel Medical Mission, which has treated more than 2,000 patients, and working in Bible conferences.

In regard to the latter ministry, he writes, "Keswick in England, Mt. Hermon in California, are symbols of great spiritual strength. In Hong Kong it is the Pooling Bible Conference, which is known throughout the Far East wherever Chinese Christians reside. Like in the West, Conference speakers come from far and near.

"The conferences in Hong Kong and Kowloon this year were attended by unprecedented crowds. Dr. Peng Fu and Rev. Mr. Teng gave Bible studies in the mornings. The writer gave evening addresses, 'Sinners and Saints in the Bible,' a series of character studies. At the great closing meeting over 2,000 people crowded into the new Methodist church recently opened. We were greatly impressed by the large number of young people who came night after night. Many decisions were made, we believe, for Him."

Christine Johnson, '21, is teaching missions subjects in the Ozark Bible Institute, Ozark, Arkansas. Despite illness, which has made her lighten her teaching load, she reports that

she is enjoying her work more than ever.

Paul, '24, and Phoebe Brenneman Ummel, '28, and their daughter Miriam, left their home in Elkhart, Ind., on Nov. 30 for another term of missionary service in Nigeria.

Elda Amstutz, '21, was booked to sail for Bombay on the ship Hoegh Trader on January 12, as she returned to India to work under the Ramabai Mukti Mission.

Hazel Shoup, '46, left New York, Dec. 30, for her second term as missionary in Sierra Leone.

Roy J. Birkey, '23, until recently the head of the department of missions in F. W. B. C., and Mrs. Birkey and their son Richard, were booked to sail by ocean freighter from New York to Hong Kong, where they will serve under the C. & M. A. in missionary work among the Chinese.

## Down the Aisle

Bernice Oser, '46, became the bride of Elmer Whitteker, of Estacada, Oregon, on Nov. 7. The Whittekers will continue to serve the church at Cedardale, Oregon, where Mrs. Whitteker had been working prior to her marriage.

Irene North, '47-'48, is now Mrs. Gene L. Bosca, and lives in Detroit. Mr. Bosca is soon to graduate from dental school, and wife Irene loyally recommends him as "the finest in the country." She is a busy worker in the Dakota Avenue U. M. Church.

## In the Cradle

Dan and Edna Dyck, '41 and '45, welcomed little Dwight Timothy into their home in Sierra Leone, Africa, on Nov. 3.

Bruce, '50, and Janice Harris are the parents of Lynette Elaine, who came to live with them on Nov. 5. Lynette's daddy is pastor of the

Brook-Ridge Missionary church in Cleveland, Ohio.

To Orton and Joan, '51, Gilpin, Stephen Allen was born on Nov. 7. Orton is serving in the 243rd Army Band in Camp Pickett, Va.

David and Marie Rupp, '38 and '36, have a new daughter since Nov. 24. Sarah Lee was born in Sierra Leone, Africa.

Darrell II arrived in Detroit, Mich., Nov. 28, to brighten the home of Darrell, '50, and Marilyn Gerig. Darrell Sr. is minister of music in the Zoller Gospel Tabernacle.

On Dec. 9, Sharon Marie arrived in the home of Lloyd and Miriam (Schumacher) '44 Rediger. Sharon's father is connected with the Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Co., in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Belella, '52 and '51, also received a bundle of joy on Dec. 9. His name is Mark Leon. "Ernie" is pastoring two Evangelical U.B. churches near Wauseon, Ohio.

### **Home from Service**

Truman and Eileen Gottschalk, '48, were expected to arrive via plane in Chicago, Jan. 13, on their return from their first term as missionaries in Ecuador.

### **With the Lord**

Letitia Jackson Schwab, '05-'06, wife of Emil Schwab, '06-'09, went to be with the Lord on Dec. 31 at Terra Bella, Calif. She and Mrs. Schwab had done many years of Christian service among the Indians in Arizona, Nevada and California.

### **Preparation for Teaching Certificates**

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cation and for those who choose the profession of public school teaching after beginning their studies in the College.

## **Linda Kathryn Gerig Joins Junior Faculty**

A new prospective radio star came up over the horizon on January 9, when Linda Kathryn was born into the family of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gerig.

Daddy Dick, who is on the promotion end of the College staff, was reticent about making any predictions, but a broad smile indicates that he is well pleased with Linda's appearance.

Already she is practicing tiny arpeggios, to the delight of her brother, Rodney.

### **PLACEMENT SERVICE**

If you are looking for an opening for Christian service or if you are in need of the services of a Bible College graduate, why not take advantage of our placement service. Address all inquiries to C. H. Eicher, Director of Placement, Fort Wayne Bible College, Fort Wayne 6, Indiana.

### **Positions Open**

*House Parents* to work in small church-sponsored home for boys in Indiana. Above average wage.

*Laundress* for same institution.

### **Position Wanted**

*Music Instructor or Minister of Music* in Bible School or church, preferably Baptist. Recent graduate, music major.

By selection of courses a special student may take from one to two full years of work in the College which will be validated by such institutions as Indiana University and Taylor University. How much Bible College work is applicable, depends on the teaching certificate desired. Elementary certificates have more specific requirements than secondary; hence less general education or liberal arts courses are applicable.

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and without interest. Taxes would be assumed by the purchaser.

The option was for a period of 30 days, but four important steps had to be taken to exercise the option. First, the attorneys had to agree on details, and they were consuming valuable time in working out a mutually agreeable contract. Second, the Governing Board must be called into special session to officially act on the disposition. Third, approval must be given by the Missionary Church Association General Conference because a sizeable indebtedness was involved. Finally, funds must be in sight to meet the down payment.

The first hurdle was overcome by the parties taking direct action and signing a standard real estate option while the attorneys continued to iron out their differences. The second step was taken when the Governing Board met in special session on August 15, 1946, and took the following action, subject to the approval of the MCA General Conference: "Be it resolved that the Governing Board of the Fort Wayne Bible Institute (College) accept the offer of the option made by the Wiebke family to purchase the tract of land described in said option and that the President and the Treasurer be authorized to effect the purchase." The MCA General Conference followed by endorsing the action of the Board in its sessions August 19-21. Even before the Conference met, some friends of the College were contacted to see what help might be forthcoming if the option would be exercised and sixteen friends promised \$13,900, with over \$5,000 immediately available for the down payment.

The contract was drawn up and signed on September 17, 1946. Sub-

sequently, through the blessing of God and the generous gifts of His stewards, the remaining payments were made. Several substantial gifts late in 1952 made it possible to meet the final payment in full. Most of the contributions for this project have come from Christian business men, who with their usual foresight, saw the advantages of acquiring this property.

Several acres of the south campus were made into a recreation field a few years ago and the rear wooded area has been partially improved. A memorial fund is now being built up in honor of Mr. John Von Gunten with which to landscape this section of the campus. \$2,900 has already been contributed to this fund.

The Board will consider a formal dedication of the south campus at its meeting on March 5th. Likely the event will take place during commencement week.

In looking back over these events it is evident that God's hand has been guiding according to a purpose which is greater than the limited vision of men. When the contract was signed in 1946, one co-owner, the late William H. Wiebke, said: "We have had many opportunities of selling this land during the years, but something always said 'Don't.' I think it was the Lord that kept us from selling it so that it would eventually go to the College." His successors, Mrs. Sarah C. Wiebke, Miss Clara Wiebke, together with his surviving sister, Miss Emma Wiebke, maintained these cordial relations which culminated in the transfer of title to the College. Now the Bible College, which will soon celebrate its 50th anniversary, is prepared for further growth and development as God prospers it.

# **Important Notice**

## **To Readers of Bible Vision**

The College administration is announcing an important change in the publication of its official periodical, which has been served by the Bible Vision for seventeen years. The Bible Vision has served a useful purpose in providing a means of communication between the College and its alumni and friends. It came to serve a triple purpose by publishing (1) news of the College, (2) news of alumni and Fellowship Circle activities, and (3) publishing articles which were designed to throw the light of the Bible on our times.

However, the greatest handicap in a paid-circulation type of periodical is its limitation of circulation. Many less than half of College alumni are subscribers and many other patrons of the school do not receive it. Consequently many former students and friends of the College are not in touch with the school and its activities. The administration has come to the conclusion that the first need is for a news periodical that will go out to all friends of the school. Accordingly, a smaller periodical is being planned which will be on a non-subscription basis. While it will go out free, it is hoped that voluntary gifts will take care of mailing and printing costs.

The next issue of the Bible Vision—February, 1953—will be the last in the present format. Those who are subscribers will continue to receive the new periodical but they will be given the opportunity of having overpayments reimbursed.

It is hoped that this change will greatly increase the usefulness of a College periodical and that our many friends will accept the change as an improvement that will enrich our fellowship and extend the cause of Christ.

**F O R T   W A Y N E   B I B L E   C O L L E G E**

# *A Program of Training for Missionary Nurses*

Fort Wayne Bible College is now in a position to expedite the time required for graduate nurses to prepare for missionary service. With the counsel of leaders in nursing education, an educationally sound program is now offered by which graduate nurses may normally complete a two-year program leading to the Bachelor of Science degree in Missionary Nursing Service. It includes work in Bible, Theology, Missions, and General Education.

To qualify for admission a graduate nurse must meet either one of two requirements: (1) graduate from a nursing school accredited by the National Nursing Accrediting Service, or (2) pass, on a satisfactory level, the Graduate Nurse Qualifying Examination of the National League for Nursing, Inc. Arrangements for taking this examination are made with the Registrar.

There are many challenging opportunities of service in mission fields for consecrated nurses who can minister to spiritual as well as physical needs.

For information, write to Registrar.

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